



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79919

Hideyuki KUBOTA

Appln. No.: 10/779,850

Group Art Unit: 1773

Confirmation No.: 9443

Examiner: Louis V. Falasco

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For: MASTER INFORMATION CARRIER FOR MAGNETIC TRANSFER

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

December 18, 2006:

REMARKS

The Applicant's representative, Mr. Peter S. Park with assistance of Mr. Mark E.

Wallerson, conducted a telephone interview with Examiner Falasco on December 18, 2006.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: NONE
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 1
3. Identification of art discussed: U.S. Patent No. 4,581,270 to Kato et al. ("Kato")
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: NONE
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Kato does not teach or suggest

protective coating on a side surface of the magnetic layer even though Kato may disclose

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applying a protective layer on the upper surface, which is distinguished from the side surface, of the edge (rim) portion. Further, in Kato, the protective layer is applied to the substrate part of a floppy disk which is not a magnetic layer part.

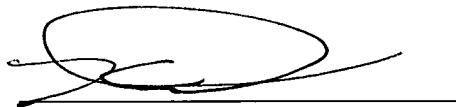
6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: NONE

7. Results of Interview: Regardless of the arguments of Applicant's representative, the Examiner stated that the protective coating went along the inner rim which includes the magnetic blank's inner edge referring to col. 4, lines 27-28 of Kato.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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